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GDR REPLY SOVIET NOTE OF NOVEMBER 27 DELIVERED BY DEPUTY FONMIN WINZER TO SOVIET AMBASSADOR PERVUHKIN IN EAST BERLIN JANUARY 7. TEXT PUBLISHED TODAY IN NEUES DEUTSCHLAND. ALTHOUGH FAILS MENTION 6-MONTHS' TERM, GDR NOTE TAKES EXCEEDINGLY STRONG LINE IN SUPPORT SOVIET PROPOSALS CONCERNING BERLIN, GOING EVEN FURTHER THAN SOVIET NOTE IN SEVERAL RESPECTS. GDR REPLY OBVIOUSLY WITHHELD UNTIL AFTER WESTERN ANSWERS SOVIET NOTE. SINCE IT MUST BE ASSUMED TEXT GDR REPLY CLEARED WITH SOVIETS PRIOR DELIVERY, UNCONCILIATORY TONE GDR REPLY AT THIS TIME IS OF PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE.

FOLLOWING ARE MAJOR POINTS OF INTEREST IN GDR NOTE:

- 1) ALL PREVIOUS ARGUMENTS FROM KROEGER ARTICLE LAST JANUARY (OURTELS 760,772 TO BONN, RPTD 824,835 TO DEPT.), ULRICH'S SPEECH OCTOBER (OURTELS 246, 247 TO BONN, RPTD 291, 292 TO DEPT) AND SOVIET NOTE UTILIZED TO "SHOW" BERLIN PROPERLY PART TERRITORY GDR AND ALLIES NO LONGER HAVE RIGHT OCCUPATION WEST BERLIN. NOTE PROCEEDS FURTHER TO STATE MAINTENANCE OCCUPATION REGIME AND CONTINUED PRESENCE WESTERN TROOPS IN WEST BERLIN IN VIOLATION POTSDAM AGREEMENT OBLIGATIONS WOULD

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BE AN INTERVENTION RPT INTERVENTION CONTRARY INTERNATIONAL LAW.

2) ATTEMPTS REBUT CONNECTION WESTERN MILITARY WITHDRAWAL FROM THURINGIA AND OTHER PARTS SOVIET ZONE WITH WESTERN OCCUPATION SECOTRS BERLIN BY STATING WESTERN POWERS PARTICIPATION OCCUPATION AND ADMINISTRATION BERLIN BASED ON PRIOR 4-POWER AGREEMENTS, NOT ON TROOPS WITHDRAWALS FROM SOVIET ZONE.

3) HAVING ESTABLISHED BY SELF-DETERMINATION GERMAN PEOPLE A TRULY PEACE-LOVING AND DEMOCARATIC STATE ACCORDING PRINCIPLES OF POTSDAM, GDR IS THE ONLY LEGITIMATE (RECHTMASSIGE) GERMAN STATE. SIMILARLY EAST BERLIN MAGISTRAT IS STATED TO BE ONLY LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENTAL FOR ALL BERLIN. NOTE REPEATEDLY CLAIMS BE SPEAKING FOR NATIONAL INTEREST GERMAN PEOPLE.

4) WESTERN ENDEAVOR MAKE BERLIN A MATTER OF NATO CONSIDERATION UNDERLINES MENDACITY ATTEMPT JUSTIFY FURTHER PRESENCE WESTERN TROOPS BERLIN ON BASIS ALLEGED RIGHTS. SHOWS AIM IS TO DRAW WEST BERLIN MORE AND MORE INTO NATO WAR PREPARATIONS.

5) NOTE GIVES DETAILED ACCOUNT WESTERN POWERS'S MISUSE OCCUPATION AUTHORITY WEST BERLIN TO "SEPARATE" WESTER SECTOR FROM "DEMOCRATIC" PART CITY.

6) WHILE STATES GER READINESS, AFTER SOVIET TURNOVER RESPONSIBILITIES, TO NEGOTIATE RE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT WESTERN FORCES STATIONED BERLIN IN SPIRIT "PEACEFUL UNDERSTANDING", THIS SENTENCE FOLLOWS LENGTHY PASSAGE REITERATING THAT WESTERN POWERS NO LONGER HAVE ANY RIGHT MAINTAIN PRIVILEGES IN WEST BERLIN IN FORM OCCUPATION REGIME.

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